

Abstract:

The present invention relates to a controlled release pharmaceutical delivery device which provides sustained or pulsatile delivery of a selected pharmaceutically active substance for a predetermined period of time. The device comprises about 1 to 5 80% by weight covalently crosslinked water insoluble, water-swellaable polymers and about 1 to 75% by weight uncrosslinked, linear water soluble polymers.

The invention also provides pharmaceutical compositions and methods for making such compositions in which a pharmaceutically active agent is incorporated into 10 the delivery device.

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